

**ON SCENE** to direct members of the Torrance Fire Department is Fire Chief J. J. Benner. Units from Torrance and four other South Bay cities responded to the 75 acre brush fire in Palos Ver-

des Friday. Two Torrance boys have admitted setting the blaze and have been released by police to the custody of their parents.

—PRESS photo

## Adults Go Back to School For Many Reasons — Money

School bells are summoning 40 million youngsters back to classes — and reminding 30 million adults that summer is over and it is time for them to hit the books harder than ever. That's how many Americans over 21 are enrolled in adult education courses, attend school full-time, or study at home, according to a recent national survey.

### Knowledge Rush

The most common reason for this "knowledge rush" among adults is as close as your pocketbook. Spare-time study has always been popular among the ambitious who seek swift promotion.

But suddenly, voluntary vocational training is becoming a must for hundreds of thousands today and millions tomorrow whose skills are being made obsolete by automation and other forms of technological progress. The pay you take home from the job — and the job-related course you study at home — are becoming more closely related every day.

Of the nearly 10 million engaged in independent study, those generally ranked most serious about it, are

the three and a half million correspondence students in the United States. They report to "school" after a full day on the job, with 85 percent studying material to help up-date or up-grade vocational skills.

### Good Study Tips

It is not easy to get back in the swing of good study habits if you've been out of school for five years, let alone 25 as some people have. For this reason, International Correspondence Schools, the nation's largest home - study school, with a current enrollment of over 100,000 has issued a new study guide for correspondence students. Written by Dr. John Walsh, head of research, the chapter on "How to Study" contains valuable suggestions for students of all ages.

First, the place you study — it is important to have a definite spot all your own whether it is a regular

study, in an attic, a basement or aboard a ship. Studying in the same place, Walsh says, encourages concentration. Also, he advises sitting in a straight chair, since a sofa or easy chair is too relaxing for the average person after a busy day.

### Keep A Chart

Start out by keeping a chart to organize your study time each week, with hours planned in advance. You will gain more by studying at least an hour or two each night than by skipping a study period and trying to study to make up work. If your family and friends know your study schedule, they can avoid arranging conflicting social activities.

Walsh also includes tips when you are reading to retain information rather than sheer enjoyment. It involves three steps. First, scanning the assignment to get an overall idea of the main points. Then, start reading as rapidly as you can and still understand each word, reference, or illustration, putting a question mark in the margin should difficulty arise. Ask yourself questions on the material as you go.

Take notes on key points. Underline, but only the key points. Finally, review the text at a normal pace, being sure you grasp any parts not clear to you initially.

### Three Readings

These three readings, Walsh says, may actually take less time than one slow reading and they will cut down on time spent later in reviews.

Studying at home requires certain skills adults may

have forgotten or never cultivated. It is essential, therefore, to analyze your study methods at the very beginning, drawing up your own check list of good habits which will be handy in periodically testing yourself throughout the course. A little extra effort now will make studying easier and more enjoyable.

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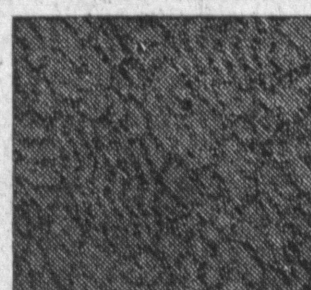
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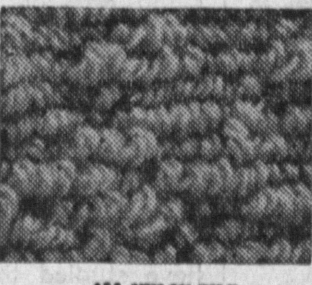
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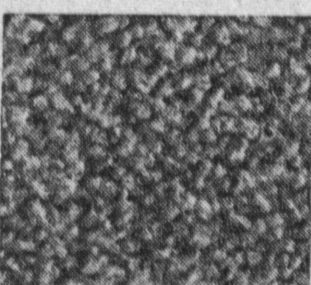
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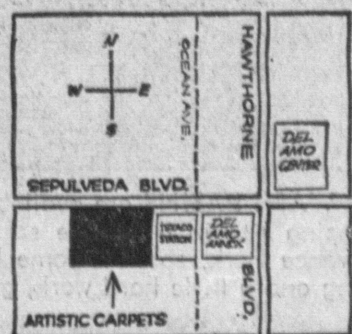
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## Prices to Drop in L.A. School Cafeterias

Cuts in Los Angeles City high school and college cafeteria prices for the next school year have been announced by Superintendent of Schools Jack P. Crowther.

He told members of the Board of Education that the decrease will result from a profit which the school district's cafeterias made last year.

Prices of 33 different items will be reduced from one to five cents, he said, in an effort to return the surplus income to students.

### New Dishes

Richard W. Jarrett, director of food services for the city schools, reported 16 new items will be offered, including meat pies, hot potato salads and breaded beef patties.

Jarrett said items which will be decreased in cost include corn and potato chips, ice cream novelties, fresh oranges, meat dishes and meat sandwiches.

Additionally, the portion size of ham, turkey or beef club sandwiches will be increased without a change in the current 50-cent cost.

Jarrett announced the only price increase will be for a serving of veal roast with dressing, which will go from 45 to 50 cents.

## Young Boy Burned

Ten-year-old Mickey Morgan, 2322 W. 236th St., received second degree burns to his right leg Saturday when gasoline, spilled on his pants leg, caught fire.

The fire started when the victim's father, Lee Morgan, was in the process of draining gasoline from the family car parked in the garage. During the operation some as was splashed on young Mickey as he assisted his father.

Firemen believe gas fumes reached the pilot light of a nearby water heater setting off the blaze.

Mr. Morgan told police he was draining the gas from the vehicle because water had been poured in the tank.

### Combs Receives Medal

Army Specialist Four Robert L. Combs, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ole R. Combs, 1242 W. 226th St., Torrance, Calif., was awarded The Good Conduct Medal early in August while serving with the 308th Quartermaster Battalion in Germany.

Specialist Combs was awarded the medal for exemplary conduct, efficiency and fidelity as a soldier in active service.

Combs is a supply clerk in the battalion's Company A. He entered the Army in August 1961 and completed basic combat training at Fort Ord, Calif.

The 25-year-old soldier is a 1956 graduate of Redondo Union High School. He attended El Camino College, Lawndale. Before entering the Army, he was employed by National Supply Company.

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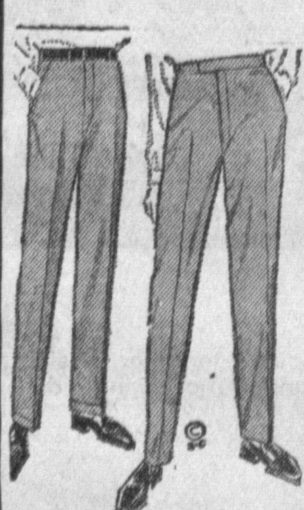
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